



ITW

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

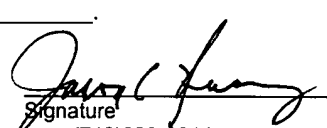
In re Application of:  
Andrew M. Duggan, et al.  
  
Serial No.: 10/809,042  
  
Confirmation No.: 5804  
  
Filed: March 25, 2004  
  
For: TUBING EXPANSION

§  
§  
§  
§  
§  
§  
§  
§  
§  
§

Group Art Unit: 3725  
  
Examiner: Debra M. Wolfe  
  
Customer No.: 36735

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING	
37 CFR 1.8	
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box, 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on <u>JUL 16 2006</u>	
Jason C. Huang	
Typed Name	Signature
46,222	(713)623-4844
Reg. No. if applicable	Telephone Number

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED MAY 30, 2006**

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated May 30, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on June 30, 2006, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicants believe that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/CRUI/0012.P1/JCH, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 15 of this paper.